

# FORD COUNTY BOARD MINUTES

September 8, 2014

## A. CALL TO ORDER:

The County Board of Ford County met pursuant to adjournment in the Ford County Board Room of the Ford County Jail in Paxton on Monday, September 8, 2014, at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order by County Board Chairman, Rick Bowen.

## B. ROLL CALL:

The roll call showed the following board members in attendance: Bob Lindgren, Pat Haskins, Jason Johnson, Randy Ferguson, Tom McQuinn, Gene May, Randy Berger, Floyd Otto, Tim Nuss, Elynor Stagen and Chairman Bowen. Mr. Hastings was absent.

## C. PROCLAMATION:

Sheriff Doran

## D. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG AND INVOCATION:

Floyd Otto

## E. APPROVAL OF THE BOARD AGENDA:

Mrs. Haskins moved to approve the board agenda. Mr. Berger seconded it.

Voice Vote - Carried

## F. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mr. Otto moved that the August 11, 2014, board minutes be approved. Mrs. Haskins seconded it.

Voice vote - carried

## G. COMMUNICATIONS:

## H. COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR:

## I. DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Mr. Ferguson moved to accept the monthly reports of the County Clerk, Coroner, Supervisor of Assessments, Sheriff, Zoning, Highway and Public Health Department and to place them on file.

Mr. Otto seconded it.

Voice Vote - Carried

## J. REPORT OF PROBATION OFFICER:

Cassy Taylor reported that there were 33 new adult and 0 juvenile cases filed. There are 4 adults and 1 Juvenile in residential alcohol/drug treatment. There were 5 PTR'S filed.

There are 6 adults and 1 juvenile placed in residential or group homes. She is interviewing for a new juvenile officer.

## K. REPORT OF CIRCUIT CLERK:

Mrs. Evans stated that collections are up. She explained that our auditor had open heart surgery and that there is a need for an extension for the Circuit Clerk audit.

## L. REPORT OF THE TREASURER:

Treasurer Hastings presented her report. The county has a balance of \$180,295.83 as of August 30, 2014. The real estate tax deadline was last Friday, September 5. As of September 22, no personal checks may be written to pay taxes. The tax sale is scheduled for October 22.

Mrs. Haskins moved to approve the Probation, Circuit Clerk and Treasurers monthly reports and to place them on file. Mr. Berger seconded it. Voice Vote – Carried

#### **M. OPPORTUNITY FOR DEPARTMENT HEADS TO ADDRESS BOARD:**

#### **N. CHAIRMAN REPORT:**

Mr. Bowen informed the Board that he had met with Steve Williams and Mike Short in regard to the public health department. He said that Mr. Williams has been working on a plan to comeingle the health entities. They will be working with a grant writer. He also met with Lana and Page in regard to the budget.

#### **O. VERBAL COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

##### **1. Environment**

##### **2. Finance**

Mrs. Stagen moved to approve payment of the General Fund bills.

Mr. Berger seconded it.

Roll Call – Unanimous

Mrs. Stagen moved to approve the 2013 audit report. Mrs. Haskins seconded it.

Voice Vote – Carried

Mrs. Stagen moved to adopt Resolution 14-37 (allowing for a 6 month extension for the special Circuit Clerk audit) Mrs. Haskins seconded it.

Roll Call – Unanimous

##### **3. Highway**

Mr. Otto moved to approve payment of the Highway bills. Mr. Lindgren seconded it.

Roll Call – Unanimous

##### **4. Insurance/Personnel**

##### **5. Overview/Legislation**

A meeting will be scheduled to go over the farm lease contract.

##### **6. Sheriff**

Mrs. Haskins moved to approve payment of the Sheriff, County Housing, EMA & Coroner bills. Mr. Lindgren seconded the motion.

Roll Call – Unanimous

Mrs. Haskins moved to approve payment of \$14,456. For the LED lighting system for the tower. Mr. Ferguson seconded it.

Roll Call – Unanimous

Mr. Bowen encouraged the board members to attend the dispatch meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 9, at 9:00 A.M. in the Sheriff Board room.

##### **7. APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES:**

Mr. Berger moved that the written and verbal reports of the committees be accepted as presented and placed on file. Mr. McQuinn seconded the motion.

Voice Vote – Carried

**P. SPECIAL ASSIGNMENTS:**

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| 1. Mobile Region 8<br>Meeting will be tomorrow at 1:00 p.m.  | Doran/Lindgren         |
| 2. Union Affairs<br>will be receiving information in regard to the Probation and Sheriff FOP soon.       | Haskins/Bowen/Lindgren |
| 3. Eastern Illinois Economic Development Authority   | Stagen/ Berger         |
| 4. 708 Board<br>Talked about programs  | Mr. Berger             |
| 5. WIA   | Bowen/Hastings         |
| 6. Ford County Board of Health<br>The Public Health Department paid bills.                               | Mr. Berger             |
| 7. Regional Office of Education<br>Discussion on statistical reports rating schools                      | Bowen/Stagen           |
| 8. ECIEDD  | Mr. Ferguson           |
| 9. 9-1-1<br>Will meet Wednesday night  | Mr. Johnson            |
| 10. Zoning<br>Bd of Appeals met to approve the extension for the special use application for K4 Windfarm | Mr. Johnson            |
| 11. CIRMA<br>Will be meeting October 23 at 10:00 A.M.  | Bowen/Nuss/ McQuinn    |
| 12. Extension<br>Meeting will be held Wednesday evening.   | Johnson/Hastings       |
| 13. E.M.A.   | Mr. Higgins            |

**Q. OLD BUSINESS:**

**R. NEW BUSINESS:**

Mr. Berger moved to adopt the Amendment to Resolution 14-19 (to add "No show trip fee" to Appendix A). Mr. Ferguson seconded it. Voice Vote - Carried

Mr. Ferguson moved to adopt the Intergovernmental Mutual Aid Agreement Resolution for Establishment of the Illinois Public Health Mutual Aid System. Mr. Berger seconded it. Voice Vote - Carried

**S. EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**T. ADJOURNMENT:**

Mr. Otto moved to adjourn; Mrs. Haskins seconded the motion. The meeting ended at 7:40 P.M.

**U. PROCLAMATION**

Sheriff Doran

The next monthly meeting will be Monday, October 13, 2014 at 7:00 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda Kellerhals  
County Clerk

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_